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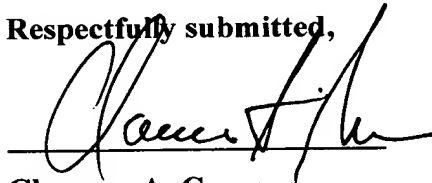
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The above-identified patent application has a corresponding PCT International Patent Application No. PCT/US99/13488 filed 15 June 1999 and a priority United States Provisional Application No. 60/089,212 filed 15

June 1998. Applicants' attorney encloses a copy of a PCT International Search Report issued on the corresponding PCT International Application No. PCT/US99/13488. The International Search Report cited United States Patent Nos. US 4,802,218, US 5,852,813 and US 5,680,463. Applicants' attorney also encloses a copy of PCT International Publication No. WO 99/16023, which was cited in the specification of the above identified patent application.

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